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Federal Officers (Parganait) and Assistant Federal Officer (Deshmanjhi)

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A *Parganait* is an officer who is in charge of several villages collectively known as *bunglow*. (For administrative purposes several villages are grouped together in what is now known as a *bunglow*). The number of villages contained within each vary in every case. The place where I worked, the Sundarpahari *bunglow*, within Godda sub-division, consisted of the following 28 villages.

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Villages of Sundarpahari Bunglow

1.	Tetria	15.	Jitpur.
2.	Domdi	16.	Bara Kalajuri.
3.	Kusumghati	17.	Chota Kalajuri.
4.	Tilabad.	18.	Gamaroe.
5.	Amjora.	19.	Gamarbera.
6.	Jisubathan.	20.	Dahubera.
7.	Bara Kalajore.	21.	Telbitha.
8.	Choto Kalajore.	22.	Jamalpur.
9.	Mohompur.	23.	Jiapuri.
10.	Sundarpahari.	24	Ladhapathor.
11.	Salo.li	25.	Phulberia.
12.	Salpathra.	26	Manibathan.
13.	Paharpur.	27.	Dhapahari.
14.	Rampur.	28.	Zolo

As a *Manjhi* has an assistant so the *Parganait* also has one known as *Desh-Manjhi*. There are also *Chakladars* who are appointed by the *Parganait* who act as the messengers of the two above officers. Outside the Damin area there is no *Parganait* and *sardars* are appointed by the Sub-divisional officer having a number of *chawkidars* under him.

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